## Kilgore Memorial Library Director's Report Prepared for the September 20, 2018 York City Council meeting

- The Elmer Baker display case is filled Anchor Hocking Early American Prescut Glassware from the collection of Kathy Marks. The Kent Bedient Gallery has a display of vintage Dewey Decimal posters donated to the library by Marilyn Van Nosrand.
- 2. StoryWalk 2018 books are selected and being prepared to be delivered on the trail each month through the year. The September book is *My Friend Maggie* by Hannah Harrison.
- 3. Fall activities are in full swing at the library. There are more than 30 participants coming to our Friday Story Time hour and Toddler Dance and Fun time activities on Wednesday.
- 4. The special education classes from the York Public Schools continue to come to this library. There are two classes with more than twenty students attending library workshops.
- 5. The Children's Literature class from York College continues to use the library's collection of children's books. The class of twelve students came for an orientation on September 5
- 6. James Tidei is working on the classes for certification. The current class is Programming and Outreach.
- 7. The Friends of the library hosted a Humanities Nebraska speaker on September 5<sup>th</sup>. Jeff Barnes shared his photography of Nebraska's historic and landmark architecture from his recently published book for the 150 anniversary of Nebraska's statehood. The presentation was attended by fifteen patrons.
- 8. Kilgore Memorial Library was lucky to host a live Daniel Tiger event through the generous support of NET and PBS. Over 300 people came and enjoyed their time at the library on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- 9. The fourth annual book discussion with the York Area End of Life Partnership took place on August 21<sup>st</sup>. There were 27 participants at this event and one doctor was able to join us from the Tabitha Hospice Care for a professional

perspective on the topic discussed. The book selected for this year's event was When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi.

- 10. The library took part in the Bike at Nite event sponsored by the York Parks and Recreation Department. We promoted the Little Library program that the Friends of the Library and the York News Times provide across the community.
- 11. The library staff have devoted considerable time looking for ways to continue our service to the community with one less staff member and 70% cuts to the budget lines that we use to provide them.

Respectfully submitted by,

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